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FOR: METHOD OF IMMOBILIZING COMPOUND ON SOLID PHASE

SUPPORT

RESPONSE TO THE REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 23, 2007, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group III: Claims 15-22 drawn to a molecule designated A.

Applicants request that the Examiner expand the search to the non-elected claims of Groups I, II, IV and V, Claims 1-14 and 23-30, if the elected Group III claims are found allowable.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.